



DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION

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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Rising Star Middle School Basketball Teams
Coaches/Managers

FROM: Brad Roos
League Director

SUBJECT: 2012 League Information

LEAGUES

5th Grade Boys	Course #:	322371
6th Grade Boys	Course #:	322365
7th Grade Boys	Course #:	322366
8th Grade Boys	Course #:	322367
5th Grade Girls	Course #:	322372
6th Grade Girls	Course #:	322368
7th Grade Girls	Course #:	322369
8th Grade Girls	Course #:	322370

Each Rising Star League will attempt to have multiple divisions (divided by playing ability) depending on the number of teams that register. Teams must play in the grade level of their oldest player. Please indicate on your team registration form the grade level of your team, boys or girls, and the division level that you would prefer to play in (A, B, or C). The League Director reserves the right to place a team in the appropriate division.

Examples of Division Levels - A AAU team, CYO highest level, top 4 tournament
B team comprised of players from multiple schools, usually tryouts involved
C teams comprised of players from one school, usually no tryouts, recreation team moving up

Countywide Programs

REGISTRATION

All team registration forms and full payment must be in the Montgomery County Department of Recreation's Sports Office no later than **Friday, December 2, 2011**. The following items are required:

Team Registration Form – all pertinent information should be filled out on this form including detailed information on the main contact and a phone number and e-mail address for a 2nd adult from the team. You can also use the form to pay the league fee by credit card (Visa or Master Card).

Payment Plan – if your team is unable to fully pay the team fee at the time of registration, you must contact Linda Lawton at 240-777-6844 for more information and application form.

After receiving your registration form, teams will be emailed the following documents to complete the registration process:

- a. Roster – please fill out this roster completely and return to the Sports Office before the first game. Additions and/or deletions can be made to this roster before the 3rd league game
- b. Individual Player Registration Forms – each player must have a registration form completed and signed by their parent. The registration form must be in the league office before the player can participate in a league game.
- c. Standards for Spectator Behavior – both parents and/or guardians must carefully read this information and sign on the bottom of the document. The form must be in the league office before the player can participate in a league game.

FEES

\$860.00 per team – Montgomery County teams.

\$910.00 per team – Non-County teams (a non-county team is defined as having 50% or more of the players on their roster living outside of Montgomery County).

The fee includes two (2) IAABO officials per game, staff, facility for games, awards, and equipment.

Each team must provide their own uniforms and practice time if possible.

****For teams who cannot secure any time for practice** – the Recreation Department will supply 1 hour of practice time per week, if available, beginning the week of December 5th. If you qualify for practice time, please e-mail, fax or deliver to our office a request that includes first and second choice of location or area, day of the week and time. We will call you with an assigned time when gyms are available.

\$990.00 per team – Montgomery County team who needs practice time

LEAGUE RULES & ELIGIBILITY

League Rules will be emailed with additional registration information after the league office has received the team registration card. 4th graders are permitted to participate in the 5th grade Rising Star League. 3rd graders or below are not eligible.

Countywide Programs

GAMES

Each team is guaranteed to play ten (10) games, plus all teams will participate in the play-offs. The play-offs will be single elimination, seeded by the regular season record.

Games will be held primarily on Sunday afternoons at County high school gyms. There will be a limited number of games at night on Saturday and Sunday.

Games will begin on Saturday, January 7, 2012.

SCHEDULE CONSIDERATIONS

All schedule considerations must be submitted, in writing by e-mail to the Recreation Department by **Monday, December 12, 2011**. Schedule considerations will not be accommodated after this date with the exception of make-ups due to inclement weather.

HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

Flyer for Holiday Tournament beginning on Tuesday, December 27th through Thursday, December 30th. This is the fifth year of the event and last year we had over 60 teams registered. Some minor scheduling considerations are allowed. All teams must make full payment at time of registration for tournament.

LEAGUE MEETING

There will be a coaches meeting on **Thursday, December 22, 2010, beginning at 7:30 p.m., at the Recreation Department Main Office theatre** (4010 Randolph Road, Silver Spring, MD. 20902). All schedules and league information will be distributed at this time. Each team must be represented at this meeting.

Directions to Recreation Department Main Office Building: From Rte 355, turn East onto Rte 28 (Veirs Mill Rd) follow Veirs Mill to Randolph Rd, approx. 2 ½ miles, then turn left at the light onto Randolph Road. Go to the first light, Colie Drive and turn right directly into the parking lot.

COACH'S BACKGROUND CHECK

Montgomery County has been mandated that all head coach's of any youth sports team must go through a background check which includes fingerprinting. If you have had a background check within the past six months all that is needed is a form filled out and the transaction number of the check. If you have previously gone through a background check with the Recreation Department, then this requirement does not pertain. A background check from another organization beyond six months will not suffice. This information is not shared through any other organization or agency.

To schedule an appointment to be fingerprinted, please call Rosemarie at 240-777-6840. A valid photo ID is required at the time of fingerprinting.

Registration Form and Payment can be mailed to:
Montgomery County Department of Recreation
4010 Randolph Road
Silver Spring, MD 20902

or faxed to 240-777-6818

Thank you for taking an interest in the 2012 Rising Star Middle School Basketball League. Please do not hesitate to contact Brad Roos at 240-777-6877, if you have any further questions concerning the league.

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